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SUBJECT: NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATIONS AND ELECTION RESULTS

REF: YAOUNDE 1639, 1655

1. CAMEROON CELEBRATED MAY 20 NATIONAL DAY -- FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF
UNITARY STATE -- WITH USUAL FARE OF PARADE (MILITARY,

SCHOOL CHILDREN, PARTY MILITANTS), DECORATIONS, FOLK
DANCING, ATHLETIC EVENTS, PRESIDENTIAL RECEPTION. PARADE
INCLUDED ARMORED VEHICLES AND ARTILLERY, AND FEATURED FLY-
PAST BY FOUR RECENTLY ACQUIRED FOUGA MAGISTER JETS.

2. PRESIDENT AHIDJO' S MESSAGE TO NATION ON MAY 19 WAS UNEXCEPT-
IONABLE CALL FOR PARTICIPATION AND RESPONSIBILITY OF CITIZENS
IN POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT. PRESIDENT
EXPRESSED SATISFACTION AT SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME OF MAY 18
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ELECTION WHICH COMPLETES STRUCTURING OF NEW
UNITARY REPUBLIC. (COMMENT: ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL REMAINS
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TO BE FORMED, BUT THIS ADVISORY BODY CLEARLY NOT RPT NOT SLATED
PLAY ANY MAJOR ROLE IN GOVERNMENTAL STRUCTURE.)

3. FINAL ELECTION RESULTS SO FAR ANNOUNCED FOR ONLY SIX OF
CAMEROON' S SEVEN PROVINCES -- SOUTH WEST PROVINCE (PART OF FORMER
WEST CAMEROON) OMITTED. PARTICIPATION RANGED FROM 96.69
PERCENT IN LITTORAL TO OVER 99 PERCENT IN CENTRAL- SOUTH AND
EAST, WITH OVERALL AVERAGE OVER 98 PERCENT. EXCEPT FOR FEW
MINOR ISOLATED INCIDENTS, ELECTIONS PRECEDED SMOOTHLY. NO
RPT NO REPORTS OF PROBLEMS IN SOUTH WEST PROVINCE.
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